

MEETING NOTICE: NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT P

WHEN: Monday, September 13, 2004

TIME: 7:00 PM

**WHERE: Ben Hill Christian Church, Rev. Pate, Pastor
4099 Sunset Dr. S. W. at Kimberly Rd.**

**Notice: Meeting will be held
the Second Monday because
of the Labor Day Holiday**

SPONSORS: NPU-P and the Bureau of Planning

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks, Charles Bryant, Jr.
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of Last Meeting, Robyn Y. Cornell, Secretary
4. New Business
 - Public Comments (15 minutes) Please sign up with our Correspondence Secretary – Montine Wilburn
5. Approval of NPU-P 2005 By-laws
6. Correspondence
7. APAB Report, Doris Morgan, Alternate APAB Delegate
8. City Planner's Report, Kevin Holloway, NPU-P Planner
9. Committee and City Department Reports, Yvonne Jackson, Vice Chair
(We request that all committee reports be in writing)
10. Presentation(s)
11. Subdivision Review Committee (for review and comments)
SD-04-45 3750 Stone Road
 Applicant, James Bailey, seeks to subdivide 30.03 acres into one hundred and two lots (102). Property is zoned R4 (Single-Family Residential), RLC (Residential-Limited Commercial) RG-2 (Residential General-Sector 2).
12. Community Activities
13. Adjournment

Neighborhood Planning Unit-P (NPU-P) Neighborhood Associations:

Arlington	Campground /Rux Roads	Fairway Acres	Niskey Lake
Arlington Estates	Darrah / Narron Drives	Kimberly Courts	P/P/P Association
Ben Hill Acres	Deerwood	Kings Forest	Redwine/Fairburn Roads
Ben Hill Pines	Greenbriar Acres	Lake Carol Estates	Rue Royal
Ben Hill Terrace	Greenbriar Village	Lake Jan Estates	Sandalwood Estates
Brentwood NA	Heritage Valley	Melwood	Santa Rosa Neighborhood Watch
Briar Glen	Elmco Estates	Meadowbrook Forest	Tampa Park
Butner/ Tell Roads	Fairburn	Mt. Gilead Woods	Wildwood Forest
	Fairburn / Tell Woods	Niskey Cove	

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MINUTES OF NPU-P MEETING: August 2, 2004

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Charles Bryant, at 7:04 p.m. with 39 persons in attendance. Mrs. Erma Powell, Brentwood Home owners Association, provided the opening prayer. The 2004 officers were introduced to the body. **The Chairman's Opening Remarks** included: 1) The **NPUP By-Laws** were distributed at the meeting; residents should submit amendments for discussion before the September deadline. Please submit proposed changes in writing to Mr. Claude Strickland or Ms. Robyn Cornell by the next meeting on September 13th.

Agenda Approval: Motion made and seconded to accept as published and was carried by voice vote.

Meeting Minutes: Motion made and seconded to accept as is and was carried by voice vote. The agenda and minutes are available on the **NEW** official website: http://apps.atlantaga.gov/citydir/DPCD/Bureau_of_Planning/BOP/NPU/npu_agendas.htm.

New Business/Public Comments: 1) Janice Welch, an NPUP resident, submitted a proposal to establish residential facility for seniors providing skilled care, recreation and housing, 24 hour/7 days week. Although there are others in the community, her goal is to provide affordable (\$1000/month) at the old Ben Hill Elementary School facility.

Atlanta Planning Advisory Board (APAB) Report, no report. The meeting is held the third Saturday each month, 10 am, City Hall, 55 Trinity Avenue, broadcast on Channel 26. The public is welcomed to attend the meetings, see the website for more information: http://apps.atlantaga.gov/citydir/DPCD/Bureau_of_Planning/BOP/NPU/APAB.htm.

City Planner's Report/Kevin Holloway (404-330-6780) reporting, presented text amendment information. See presentations below for details. The new City of Atlanta website: www.atlantaga.gov.

Committee and City Department Reports: Vice Chair, Yvonne Jackson (404-344-3564): Residents are asked to fill out an **NPUP Complaint form** to report any property or safety issues in the neighborhood and the responsible committee will follow up with the appropriate City officials for resolution.

Public Safety/ David Manual (404-349-4401) reported on recent activity updates: reported on four items addressed since the last meeting: Clogged storm drains on 2765 Pinella, Campbellton and Kimberly roads were reported to the city, The new Fairburn Road Bridge (paving/ramp work, striping) is due to be completed September 2004; damaged fire hydrants on Barge & Pine Knoll were reported, No updates on the bridge at Fairburn & North Camp Creek yet.

Police/Zone 4/Lt. Smith (404.756.1903) reporting: no statistics provided this month, however, she was seeking feedback from the residents on the recent Ben Hill Day event at Ben Hill Recreation Center. The organizers did not have a permit to hold the event, although event flyers posted in the neighborhood. There were 29 arrests for drugs and alcohol during that day and traffic gridlock was a major issue. The application the police saw, said crowd estimate was under 250 persons, which did not fit past experience from the event. An honest crowd estimate is important. NPUP Board did not receive an application for the event from the City; therefore the event did not come before the full body for a vote. The Parks and Recreation Department required 90 day advance notice of proposed events and an accurate crowd estimate. The NPUP Board feels the event has grown too large for neighborhood facilities and in reality a festival permit is required. The event organizers were present and the activity was discussed. All principles (organizers, police and NPUP) agreed to work together in the future and follow the established guidelines for such events.

Quality of Life Issues/Officer J. Lowe (404-756-1903): No Report.

Fire Department/Station 31/Fairburn Road: Lt. Richardson reporting: Statistics from the last 30 days were reported and included: 77 building inspections, removing 4 downed trees from the roadway, 30 smoke detectors distributed and 61 blood pressure checks provided. Specific requirements must be met in order to participate in the Infant Seats and Fans for the Elderly programs and are only available at 675 Ponce De Leon Ave, 404.853.7000. See <http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/fire.aspx?section=Fire>. Questions were raised regarding the July train wreck at Cascade and Fairburn back and existing safety procedures for evacuation.

District Attorney's Office/ (404-730-4960): Provided a number of handouts (Zone 4 Robbery Arrests, Top 10 Repeat Offenders, Beat 407 & 408 Arrest Status, Theft by Receiving/Entering Auto Arrest Report) and answered questions from the floor arising from the reports. See the following websites for more information: http://www.co.fulton.ga.us/departments/dist_attny.html, http://www.co.fulton.ga.us/services/services_category_T21_R16.html.

Health and Human Services, Doris Morgan (404-346-1372): Invited Fulton County Health Department personnel to speak; Beryl Davis introduced the assembly to the new Department Director, Dr. Steven Katkowsky, (404) 730-1200, 99 Jesse Hill, Jr. Drive, SE, 4th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303). Wanted residents to know, the Fulton County Health and Wellness department belongs to the residents, so don't be shy about calling if there are issues that need assistance. He spoke at length on West Nile Virus prevention, Back-to-School Immunization programs for children being held around the city (Greenbriar is Saturday 8/14), and Flu vaccine efficacy and availability. See website: http://www.co.fulton.ga.us/departments/health_div_T112_R11.html.

Transportation/William Appling (404-344-7636): Spoke on top issues his team is addressing: finishing road work for new Fairburn Road Bridge, Paving for Fairburn Road portion in the City (Melvin Drive to Fulton County Limits) due to be finished in next three months; Paving for Kings Forest Subdivision/King Edward Trail and section on King Arthur Drive is due by end of August.

Parks and Recreation/ Lewis Woodson (404-344-0689) reporting: Discussed his recent meeting with Parks/Recreation Commissioner Cohen to discuss top issues affecting several of our community parks (Melvin, Ben Hill Recreation Center and Tucson parks) but stressed no promises were made to fulfill any requests. Commissioner Cohn was present at the meeting. A guest, Mr. George Dusenberry IV (404-817-6760, www.parkpride.org) spoke to use regarding the (educational, environment improvement) services offered by his non-profit organization. Only parks and green spaces within Atlanta City limits are eligible for micro grants (\$500) and volunteer assistance programs to improve local parks.

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Code Compliance/Judy Barton (404-344-0424) reporting: 13 additional code complaints to the City since last month's meeting. She also sent a letter, to follow up previous fax and phone calls, to the Deputy Director, Debra Connor requesting assistance. The assembly was introduced to Katherine Lloyd, Code Enforcement Supervisor (404-330-6190); fax 404-658-7084, 55 Trinity Ave, SW, Suite # 3450, Atlanta, GA 30303. Both she and our community inspector Juan Irvin, citing organizational/manpower/equipment issues hampering providing a final report tonight. However, both stressed their dedication to doing a good job and promised to do better investigating complaints and communicating updates to the NPUP in the future.

Finance/Claude Strickland reporting: Starting balance was \$466.08. Volunteer collection from the last meeting yielded \$58.00 with half (\$29.00) donated to meeting facility, expenses of \$ 20.06, left an account balance of \$475.02. Tonight all funds (\$156.00) collected were donated to the Zone 4 Police Officer, Fred Page. He was injured recently in the line of duty responding to a call about a fallen Oak tree on Cascade road and a motorist hit him injuring his leg and pelvis. He is recuperating at home now.

Education: No Report.

Environment: No Report.

Land Use and Zoning (LUZ), Reginald Rushin reporting: A number of projects re underway and updates were provided on several such as Princeton Lakes, and questions from the floor were answered. The committee's biggest concern is the need for road improvements/widening to support all the development in the area that will require aid from our City Councilman, and various City Departments (Planning, etc), efforts are underway to set up the meeting.

Zoning Ordinance Amendments

- **Z-04-60 Text Amendment to permit churches/temples, etc to operate** under the Planned Development-Mixed use (PD-MU) and Planned Development-Office Commercial Districts (PD-OC). Information on the amendment was distributed to those present and discussion ensued. No maximum size restrictions exist in the ordinance, however, the NPU process allows for thorough review and voting on all such projects. ***A motion was made and seconded to support this amendment and the motion passed with a unanimous show of hands.***

Other Presentations:

- **Cascade Wal-Mart:** Mr. Art Jeter provided the assembly with two handouts to review in preparation for the final Commission hearing, August 4th, 10 am, Commission Hearing Room, 141 Pryor Street. Residents are urged to attend the meeting in large numbers to make our feelings known. Many residents oppose the project due: the horrific increases in commercial truck and car traffic on Cascade road that will ensue (traffic from the many new subdivisions under construction was not even factored in the traffic study), the erosion of the quality of life (noise, pollution), and environmental issues (air pollution, watershed/creeks, natural habitats destroyed).
- **License Review Board (LRB) Change of Agent Application:** Attorney Ken Rickert represented applicant BP Station # 4719, 3550 Campbellton Road, Leola Davis manager/applicant. The beer/wine license is existing, not a new one however, each time the station manager changes, the name on the beer and wine license must change as well. The Raceway Station under construction near the BP will not sell beer and wine. ***A motion was made and seconded to support the application change and the motion passed 18 to 14 in favor.***
- **Community Block Grant (CBG).** Mr. Garnett Brown, City of Atlanta Planner, discussed a recently submitted an application for \$ 77,000 to create an action plan/blueprint/corridor study for Campbellton Road improvement (improving traffic plan, planning transportation needs, commercial development, aesthetics, crime reduction). The funds would be administered by the Community Development Corporation. ***A motion was made and seconded to support this CBG and the motion passed with a unanimous show of hands.***
- **Councilman Maddox:** Many topics covered: 1) discussed his plan to submit legislation to expand the Greenbriar Livable Cities Initiative (LCI) to include Campbellton Road (down to Enon Road) in order to further support and facilitate revitalization activity and control growth. 2) A meeting is targeted for the last Saturday in August with various City agencies to discuss the road upgrade / development situation. The community must take control of the development coming in the area on the economic side to ensure outside interests don't just make money and take it out of the community. 3) The Sales Tax issue passed based on the July voting. The run-off is August 10th and residents need to turn out in force as well. 4) He met with Commissioner Cohn and Atlanta Board of Education (ABOE) Representative Sadie Dennard to discuss the community's desire to use the old Ben Hill school property to expand the recreation center and create a natatorium. He will investigate further when ABOE determines a fair market value for the property. 5) Trash pickup is a major issue. He understands service is poor and no set policy exists to govern service. He will work to get the Sanitation Department at the next meeting. 6) He is introducing a moratorium on issuing permits for new vendors on private property for next six months and will be introduced later this month. A commission is needed to study and devise regulations to handle the explosion of vendors across the City.

Community Concerns:

- The Brentwood Homeowners' Association is holding a neighborhood trash pick up on Saturday, August 7th. All are welcomed to help in the effort.
- An urgent call out to retired residents is underway to help devise recommendations for improving the Sanitation service. All interested in participating, give your name to the NPUP secretary.
- Kings Forest Combined Community regular meeting, Thursday, August 19th, 7pm, Ben Hill Recreation Center.

Adjournment: With the all the business pending before the body concluded, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25 p.m. The highest attendance before closing was 57 persons.

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Ordinance 04-O-0165 (for information only)

Ordinance by Council Member Ceasar C. Mitchell to amend Article XXIV of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances, relating to vending on private property; to define certain terms; to place permitting and other affirmative requirements on the Promoters, Operators, and Owners of Flea Markets and Flea Market Vendors for the purpose of eliminating the sale of unauthorized sound and audio-visual recording at Flea Markets; to provide for the filing and investigation of complaints alleging violations of this article; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes.

WILLIAM F. KENNEDY, JR

William F. Kennedy, Jr.'s 42-year career in the City of Atlanta Planning Department and as a private consultant helped shape Atlanta through his vision, his ability to grasp and simplify complicated issues, his fairness, his intellect, his compassion and his unquestionable integrity.

In honor and memory of Bill, The William F Kennedy, Jr. Endowment has been established at GA Tech. One of the Committee Members will attend your NPU soon to talk about the Fellowship Program as well as solicit donations. In the mean time please visit the web site **billkennedy.org**

Calendar of Events for October 2004

[Hands On Atlanta Day](#)

10/2/2004

[Walk for Recovery](#)

10/2/2004

Piedmont Park

[Atlanta Ediden](#)

10/3/2004

Piedmont Park

[Grey Festival](#)

10/3/2004

Piedmont Park

[Aids Walk](#)

10/17/2004

Piedmont Park

[Van Kemper Wine Festival](#)

10/23/2004 - 10/24/2004

Piedmont Park